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ELECTION RETURN WORK

In the days when telephone and telegraph lines did not extend all over the back districts, there was an excuse for election returns coming in slowly. Many newspaper editors can remember when they had to hire teams to get the returns of back towns. Men would have to drive long distances. But that time has passed over most of the country.

In some districts it is a matter of pride for the counters to complete their work promptly and get it off to the nearest collection center at the earliest possible moment. There is frequently a race between towns and precincts to see which shall get in the first return. Where that feeling prevails, a state will have the next morning a practically complete return of its voting, with very few districts missing.

In other localities returns come in very slowly. It may be three or four days before half the state vote is counted. In many cases the returns are completed, but the official neglect to transmit them. Or slight technicalities may arise, leading officials to hold back the count.

All this is exceedingly annoying to the candidates and committees and workers, who naturally want to clean up campaign affairs and return to their usual occupations at the earliest moment. Also it is irritating to the public, who are keenly interested, and often feel their own business affairs are affected.

Election officers and counters should therefore take their work more seriously than some of them do, and try to put it through in a business like manner. Counters should not be appointed from bungling people, as a reward for political activity. Bright, active men with a head for accurate and quick figuring are wanted. A prompt return is a public service and does credit to the precinct that sends it along.

KAISER ABDICATES

"Tis done, but yesterday a king,
And armed with kings to strive
Today thou art a nameless thing,
So abject, yet alive."

The quotation is from Lord Byron's "Ode to Napoleon Bonaparte," written after the battle of Waterloo a century ago. It can be applied with emphasis to Wilhelm II today. Yesterday the head of the mighty house of Hohenzollern was emperor of Germany and king of Prussia. Today he is a private citizen, hated throughout the civilized world. Bonaparte died in exile upon the lonely island of St. Helena. Wilhelm does not yet know what fate has in store for him—whether he will be tried and punished for his monstrous crimes or whether he will be allowed to drag out a miserable existence in some secluded spot far from the haunts of men. What a fall from power and prestige! What a snuffing out of martial glory! What a wreck of nations! And all because a monarch in the present enlightened day and age of the world allowed his ambition to rise to such a height that he became consumed with a desire to rule the earth. It could not be done, and the result of such an attempt upon the part of the emperor of Germany is his abdication after defeat in the field. Without doubt he will occupy a place in history, but he will not be written down as a wise and beneficent ruler. On the contrary, he will be held up as an object for the contempt of the people of succeeding generations. Better to have been a private soldier fighting in the allied army than to have been the kaiser who commanded millions of men battling for an unholy cause!—Salt Lake Tribune.

Plow factories, both at home and

abroad, still report a scarcity of raw material in the shape of swords.—Anaconda Standard.

Ostend is a summer resort, but that isn't why the Germans decided it would be unhealthy to spend the winter there.—Pittsburg Gazette Times.

The Berlin stock exchange just thinks it is "uneasy." If it would know the real meaning of the word it might ask the German general staff.—Marion Advertiser.

Can it be that Germany is not going to charge King Albert anything for having taken care of Belgium for him during the most critical years of its history?—New York Post.

THE WAR COMFORTS CAMPAIGN

It is not enough to arm and clothe the soldiers, and provide them with all the munitions an engineering of war. They are not mere machines. They are human beings, our own dearest ones who are suffering and dying for us.

The Christian Associations, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare board, and other organizations for which the war work canvass is now to be made, are absolutely essential to the success of our armies as a fighting force. Morale is everything on the battle field. The soldier who is lonely, homesick, discouraged is a poor fighter.

But you take him down to one of those blessed huts where brave and self sacrificing fellows will see that he is warmed and fed and cheered up, and he is another man. The men come in almost wrecks after the strain of the fighting and the sight of suffering and death. They are unstrung and not masters of themselves. The transformation wrought in the huts is something marvelous. The handshake the comradeship, the cheerful bit of music, the word of counsel and friendship, these tone a man up and he is himself again. Now he can go out and fight.

The work of these organizations is not merely of great military value, but it keeps the men to a high moral standard. Formerly wars were demoralizing to the character of the soldiers, and many of them returned forever corrupted by enfeebling vices. The various huts stand for the clean, manly soldier life, and they will return our boys to us physically and morally better than they were when they left.

As it is going to need \$170,500,000 to carry on this war comfort work, it is manifest that everyone has got to go pretty deep into his pocket. It is no time for the little gifts we ordinarily make to home charities.

HEALTHFUL HOMES

Where a movement can be successfully carried through to give wage earners more healthful and comfortable homes, it benefits every interest in that community. For instance, take the results achieved in the so called "garden cities" of England. Equally pertinent results could be found in many American towns, but we happen to have available statistics of a few English towns that illustrate the idea.

Bournemouth, England, is one town where the idea of healthful homes with open air space for wage earners was carried out. The twelve year old boys of Bournemouth average to weigh seventy-two pounds, while the twelve year old boys in crowded Birmingham weigh only sixty-three pounds.

Now what an enormous difference it will make in the future of any town, thus to improve the physical condition of its young people. It means brighter minds, more active bodies, more skillful mechanics. It could probably be depended upon to increase the industrial production of that community 50 to 100 per cent.

Housing conditions as a whole are excellent in Logan. There are few places in this section where a young person can grow up with better chances of health. Still, we have our own faults, and most American towns have grown rather haphazard. In most of them the building and estate development has been more to make money than to promote community welfare.

Space for gardens, good drainage, airy sleeping rooms with plenty of window space, these are some of the first requisites are provided. It may cost a little more at the start, but the results pay many times over in better physical ability an avoidance of sickness.

WILL YOU HELP OUR BOYS ABROAD?

Every Man, Woman and Child Can Join to Send News of This Town into the Front Line Trenches.

WHOLE NATION MOVES TO BANISH SOLITUDE

Our Heroes Are Calling From Over There—Give What You Can to Help Those From Home.

Every citizen interested in the boys of his home town now at the front, and in the brave women who equally are serving their country abroad, has an opportunity to show his appreciation of the sacrifice they are making. The opportunity comes as a result of the generosity and thought of Colonel William Boyce Thompson of New York, who has conceived and put into execution what is known as the Home Paper Service.

Under the plan, every man and woman in foreign service will receive the town newspaper, and so be kept in constant touch with the places and the people they know and love.

Every branch of the United States Government is interested in the plan. The Government realizes the importance of keeping those in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nothing is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of loneliness in those serving their country, and officials know that nothing can dispel this feeling more effectively than reading the home town newspaper.

Publishers of newspapers in all parts of the country—this newspaper included—have grasped with pleasure the plan outlined by Colonel Thompson, and they have agreed to co-operate in every way.

Under the ruling of the War Industries Board newspaper publishers are forbidden to send their newspapers free, even to soldiers. The newspaper must be subscribed for in the regular way, the only exception being soldiers who formerly were in the employ of the newspaper and who left that service to enlist. Colonel Thompson therefore proposes that the public in each community contribute to a fund so that the home newspaper (in our case this newspaper) may reach every man and woman now in the service of his country.

Anyone may contribute to the fund, and any sum may be contributed. It is not necessary to contribute the entire amount of one subscription. It does not matter whether the rich man sends in one hundred dollars or the poor boy or little girl sends in five cents. Each gift will be a message of love and helpfulness to the home town folks "Over There." The money will be lumped into one fund, out of which subscriptions will be entered as fast as the money is received.

Contributors who send in the full price of a year's subscription may, if they wish, designate to what particular person they wish the newspaper sent, but if the name given is already listed as receiving the paper, then the publisher reserves the right to apply the subscription to some less fortunate soldier boy or noble woman who is just as lonely for news of home and home folks.

The name of every contributor to this home paper service will be published in this newspaper, and the name of everyone entered for a subscription will be published as well as the number of those remaining whose subscriptions have not been covered.

If the amount of money received shall be more than is necessary to send the paper to every person from the town now in the service, then the balance will be turned over to the Red Cross.

The plan is endorsed by the publisher of this newspaper without any thought of profit, either directly or indirectly, but with a sincere desire to help keep the home fires burning and to send to our heroes and heroines news of our town, to keep their hearts warm for us and to let them know they are constantly in our minds.

The publisher, of course, cannot make a profit on circulation, and additional circulation such as this will be—circulation from non-purchasers sent far across the sea—can have no added value to the advertiser.

These facts are stated so that every contributor may feel that every cent contributed goes to the good cause.

The mothers of our boys are facing an ordeal with a bravery that commands respect and admiration. Here and there where tiny stars are turned from blue to gold, where anguish grips the heart, the nation stands in silence and honors the women who have given of their blood, the very bone of their bone, to their country. To them, home has lost its meaning—the soul of it has fled—there is no home. It is just a place, and no place is quite so lonely, unless it be within the hearts of those brave sons in far off France who long for just a word of home. There cannot be a man, there cannot be a woman, no, not even a child, who will fail to contribute just a little to make the hearts of these patriots lighter. Not one. Not in our town.

THE TRUTH ABOUT CANDY

Candy Takes the Place of Alcohol

There was a time when the army and navy supplied their men with rum and whisky.

But today, while recognizing the need of supplying heat for the system, it is known that alcohol is not the proper thing. Sugar has taken its place, because sugar supplies the carbohydrates which every human body needs.

Hence, candy is supplied liberally to soldiers. Leading American officers endorse chocolate candy as an essential food for soldiers.

The various quartermasters' departments draw large supplies of candy for the soldiers to eat. These requirements run into the hundreds of thousands of pounds.

For example, on a recent cruise, the Atlantic squadron, carrying NO LIQUOR aboard, had on its various ships 40,000 pounds of candy—because it recognized candy as among the most nutritious foods for its sailors.

The acid test of war is putting candy down as a FOOD—a food which supplies the body with its energizing fuel.

Physicians and scientists claim that candy will supply the taste for alcoholic beverages. This is probably one reason why, as candy is becoming more and more firmly established and recognized for its value, alcoholic drinks are declining. Right along with the decrease in whisky drinking, one notes the tremendous increase in the recognition of candy as a food.

Men who once thought that whisky would bolster them up, now find that in candy they have a real source of body fuel and energy.

People have wondered what would be the substitute for drinking to supply heat for the system. They have found that sugar is the real source of body fuel, as it supplies the carbohydrates. Sugar is enjoyed most when it is made up into a food product, mixed with fruit, nuts, etc., all of which are high in food value.

Sugar is recognized as a food product—and milk as a food product—and cocoa as a food product—and nuts and fruit and raisins as food products. These are the chief ingredients of candy. Logically, then, the combination of all these products is bound to be a wholesome, nutritious food, isn't it?

—In normal times the candy industry uses only 5% of the sugar consumed per capita in this country. Right now this amount has been cut squarely in two.

The Candy Manufacturers of Utah and Idaho.

ABOUT CROUP

...ctly what course to pursue. This is a favorite and very successful remedy for croup, and it is important that you observe the directions their being attacked by that disease carefully. Adv

you should procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and study the directions for use, so that in case of an attack you will know exactly what to do. A pressed cardboard cover to protect the tops of desks is the invention of a California school janitor.



HEAR THIS CALL from OUR HOME TOWN BOYS OVER THERE

LETTERS from our boys in the trenches and from the women in canteen and other war work, all bring to us the same message—SEND US NEWS FROM HOME.

World news is all right, but OUR BOYS want NEWS OF THIS TOWN. They want the home newspaper. Publishers are prevented from sending their papers free to anyone, even boys in the service. Consequently a national movement has been started by Col. William Boyce Thompson of New York, who is acting as President of the Home Paper Service of America to give the boys what they are calling for. Every community is joining the movement. Let us see that our boys are not forgotten.

Send to the publisher of this newspaper whatever amount of money you can—5 cents or \$50.00. We will publish a list each week of those contributing, and the amounts contributed.

Every cent received will be used to send this paper to our boys at the front. If at the end of the war, there is any surplus, it will be turned over to the local Red Cross Committee.

There is no profit in this to the publisher—even in normal times, subscriptions are not sold at a profit. With war prices prevailing, and the high rate of postage on papers sent to France, our cost will scarcely be covered by our full subscription price.

Remember that over in France, some brave soldier or sailor from this town—perhaps even some splendid woman working within sound of the guns—is depending on you to "KEEP THE HOME LOVE KINDLED."

They are calling to YOU from "Over There" GIVE WHAT YOU CAN